

TWO MATCHES SEEN STORIES "THE SWEET," "THE SWEET," & C.

On a Sulphur Match De-
pended the Lives of
This Crew.

THE ONLY ONE THEY HAD. ALL HAD BEEN GIVEN UP.

It Burned, and the Fire Under
a Water Condenser Was
Lighted.

THE two tales of the sea, here told, illustrate strikingly the truth of the
saw: Truth is stranger than fiction.

The reason, perhaps, the lives of the Johanna Swan's crew depended upon
a sulphur match. If it burned they could get fresh water from their condenser.
If not they would perish. The match burned.

Part of the crew of the Londonian, it will be remembered, was rescued by the
Vedamore; the others were given up for lost when the storm separated the vessels.
Now comes another marvellous chapter, the rescue of the ones left behind on the
Vedamore.

Nine sailors' reason, perhaps their lives,
depended upon the blazing of a solitary
sulphur match. Would it burn?

The crew of the Johanna Swan, an
American schooner, crowded out Captain
Wallace Shackford with tense lives
on every one of the eight faces. In his
hand was the bit of wood and sulphur.

For nearly five days they had drifted
on a dismasted, waterlogged bulk with
never a drop to drink, and driven to it
by desperate necessity—they had im-
provise a condenser to extract the brine from
the ocean.

The match that was to light the fire
under the condenser was the only one they
had. If it blew out, without performing
its mission, certain insanity would con-
front the hapless crew.

The captain drew the match across a
bit of dry board. It flickered a moment.
The men held their breath. Then the
match burned brightly.

This was on December 1, and the
wrecked Swan was then 170 miles south-
west of this port. The German bark
Anna picked off the crew the next day,
and yesterday the tug R. J. Barrett, on
board of which was Superintendent
Schockoff, of the American line pier, a
brother of the Swan's master, met the
Anna off Fire Island and received the
wrecked crew. The meeting between the
brothers, so nearly separated by death,
was affecting indeed.

The Mate's Story.

Chief Mate E. Camron shuddered as he
told the story of the Swan's loss.

"We ran out of Sattila River, Ga., for
New York on November 18," said Camron,
"and we were struck by the hurricane
which began on November 26, and we
were obliged to cut away the masts the next day
to prevent being capsized. Both our boats
were smashed and we remained in the la-
zarette astern for three days without food
or water. On November 29, the old boat
flooded cabin and secured a few cases of
canned provisions. We suffered agony from
thirst, but dared not leave the shelter of
the lazarette, where we crouched until
December 1.

"Then the wind moderated, and we se-
cured the captain's water tank, a square
case of tin, holding three gallons, when
filled and having a pipe at the bottom
through which the water ran to the fau-
cet. The water was so brackish that it
was unfit to drink. The tank was
empty, but I and Bernard Liljenquist, a
Swedish sailor, cut it in two on three
sides, leaving the fourth side to bend over
and make a new bottom. We used the
bottom half of the tank and turned it up-
side down so that the end with the pipe
would be at the top.

Making a Condenser.

"We fastened a rubber tube from the fire
pump to the pipe in the tank and led the
rubber tube to a bucket, which was made
as nearly air tight as possible, except
where the rubber tube entered. I had heat-
ed a small boiler from some old copper
plate found in the lazarette, and we
cut some of the pitch pine rails and made
flues leading from the boiler to the fau-
cet under the tin tank. The tank was
filled with salt water and we were ready
to light the fire.

"It was then that we discovered that only
one match existed and that was in the
possession of Captain Shackford. Every-
thing depended on that match. We were
so parched with thirst that our tongues
were swollen. All gathered around the
captain to see the wind cut, and then
he carefully struck the match. It burned
blue and then a shoving caught, and in a
minute more the fire was made. At noon
today we had enough fresh water to
give each man a tablespoonful.

"We had four quarts by nightfall and
sighted the fourth vessel, being the
Vedamore. But like the others this one, a
schooner, passed on her course unheeding.
The fire was allowed to die that night for
four the vessel was lost. The match was
lost. We sighted the Anna the next morning
just as we had drunk the last of the
precious water."

TO PRINT PENSION LIST.

Washington, Dec. 14.—In the Senate to-
day Mr. Vest again called attention to
private pension bills, and entered a pro-
test against their passage without due con-
sideration. He called attention to the fact
that while Illinois furnished 65,000 more
soldiers than Indiana, the pension roll for
Indiana exceeded that of Illinois by \$1,-
500,000. He accounted for this fact on the
ground that Indiana is a pivotal State po-
litically.

Mr. Gallinger said the committee had
been considering the advisability of pub-
lishing the list of pensioners.

Mr. Caffery opposed the bill providing
regulations for the restriction of foreign-
built vessels wrecked on the American
coast and repaired in the United States.
He said vessels would be wrecked in order
to secure American registry. He contended
that the bill was prohibitive in its
terms, intended to remove the last vestige
of competition in the matter of shipbuilding.

The bill went over until to-morrow.

Ticks from the Telegraph.

The captain and crew of the schooner Acara, of
Harrington, Me., were brought into Boston yes-
terday by the schooner Morales, Captain Webb, of
Lynn, N. H. The Acara was wrecked on the
lumber for New York, November 25, sprang
a leak in a gale and was abandoned while sin-
gling last Friday, twenty-four miles from South
Shoal lightship.

William A. Simmons, formerly collector of the
port of Boston, was convicted in Boston yes-
terday of embezzling \$10,000 from the
American Minister to Brazil, out of valuable Chi-
cago real estate.

Governor Budd, of California, at the request
of the French Consul-General at San Francisco, will
investigate the case of Henri Prunard, a miner,
employed in Teala coal mine, near Livermore, Cal.
who is alleged to have been arrested and danger-
ously hurt on December 3 by William Jones, the mine
boss.

Patrons on all grades and gauges of black steel
and galvanized iron sheets will be advanced to
Pittsburg, probably from 10 to 12 per cent, within
a few days.

It was announced at Easton, Pa., that the Le-
high Valley Railroad will hereafter build its cars
at Easton in South Easton and will move its car
works to Saratoga, Pa.

Edward P. Aker, known in Buffalo, and to mem-
bers of the Two Hundred and Second Regiment, as
John P. Edwards, has been arrested in Buffalo
for robbing the mails in July, 1891, while a clerk
in the Buffalo Post Office.

New York Soldiers Land from Honolu-
lu.

San Francisco, Dec. 14.—The steamer Alameda
brought from Honolulu today 315 soldiers and a
dozen officers of the First New York Regiment,
a route to New York to muster out. The detach-
ment consisted of Companies C, E, F and G. The
men of the New Yorkers will arrive here in a day
or so on the Scandia, which left Honolulu on the
12th.

Captain and Eight Others
Saved from the Lon-
donian.

Still Another Chapter Added to
This Remarkable Tale
of the Deep.

Baltimore, Md., December 14.—Eight
more survivors of the crew of the lost
steamship Londonian were brought into
this port to-night by the North German
Lloyd steamship Maria Rickmers. They
are

Captain E. B. Lee.
Third Officer Joseph Cottier,
Bostwain, T. Dehn,
Quartermaster F. Carlson,
Able Seamen J. Webb and W. Car-
nahan.

Second Steward D. Darnell.
Second Cook W. Martin.

These, with the forty-five rescued by the
Johnstone line steamer Vedamore, complete
the list of survivors.

The Londonian left Boston on November
10, with general merchandise and cattle,
for London. How she became helpless
through an accident to her steering gear
and wallowed in the trough of the sea
from November 22 to November 25, how
she was sighted by the Vedamore, how lay
alongside for three days, and after heroic
efforts succeeded in taking off forty-five of
those on board, and how, before the re-
scue of the others could be accomplished,
the two steamers became separated in the
darkness and finally lost sight of each
other, has been told.

On November 25 the Londonian was
sighted by the British steamship
Kling Arthur and a close inspection of the
wreck showed no signs of life. A few days
later one of the Londonian's life-
boats with oars in it was sighted, but
nothing else was there to indicate the fate
of its occupants.

Another Wonderful Rescue.

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Mysterious "Catherine Morgan," Shoplifter.

This young woman, said to be the daughter of an officer of the United States
army, is under arrest, charged with shoplifting. She said she had no money to
buy Christmas presents for her friends, and was tempted to steal a few articles.
The name she gave is a notorious one.

COLDEST DEC. 14 IN THIRTY YEARS.

Skating in Van Cortlandt
Park—Coal May Be
Dearer.

HUDSON FROZEN OVER.

Ice Will Not Bear in Central or
Prospect Park for a
Day or Two.

Date	Temperature
December 14, 1893	...13 degrees
December 14, 1894	...39 degrees
December 14, 1895	...17 degrees
December 14, 1896	...35 degrees
December 14, 1897	...40 degrees
December 14, 1898	...11.5 degrees

Yesterday was the coldest December 14
that has ever been known here. In its
thirty years' record the Weather Bureau
has not a parallel to it.

To New York's poor it brought great suf-
fering. Their fear was that the price of
coal would go up. A few small dealers
actually did take advantage of the in-
creased demand to extort more than their
regular prices, but there was no general
advance. A jump of 25 cents a ton is
threatened.

The advanced rate went into effect in
Boston yesterday. The New Jersey Coal
Dealers' Association announced in Newark
yesterday that 25 cents a ton would prob-
ably be added in that city to-day. Repre-
sentatives of the big companies, how-
ever, denied that they had any thought of
making fuel dearer.

In spite of the cold, ice on the Central
Park lakes was not in the least danger-
ous. The ice was an inch or two, but in the
middle and at each end ducks were paddling
about in open water.

Captain English of the Park police, de-
clares that year by year new buildings go
up around the Park the skating season
diminishes. He infers that the buildings
shelter the lake from cold winds like a
wall.

The Captain says he does not think there
will be skating for five or six years, at
least. The ice is as smooth as glass, and
yesterday morning there were a thousand
persons on the ice. The lights had been
put up around the lake and skating
was allowed until 10 p. m.

There will be skating on the lake in Pros-
pect Park by Saturday if the weather re-
mains cold. Workmen were putting up
shelters for the skaters yesterday.

Forecasters break the record, but the great
cold will not continue. There is clear
weather all over the country except in the
Western Gulf States, where rainy condi-
tions prevail, and in the lower Lake region,
where it is cloudy. At 8 p. m. the tempera-
ture in New York was 24, in Albany 22, in
Pittsburg 18, in Cincinnati 18, in St. Louis
20 and in Chicago 20.

Thermometers at Alpine, N. J., regis-
tered two degrees below zero this morning.
On Tuesday afternoon there was
ice on both sides of the Hudson, and dur-
ing the night the entire river was frozen
over. Boats broke the channel through
without any difficulty yesterday.

THEY'RE NOT SO WARM.

Mercury Goes Away Below Zero in
Northern New York, New Hamp-
shire and Maine.

Waterville, Me., Dec. 14.—Unofficial
glasses recorded 33 degrees below zero this
morning. Fairfield reports 31 below; Ben-
ton Falls, 36 below; Shawmut, 32 below;
and Skowhegan, 31 below. These tempera-
tures were all taken from 6 a. m. readings.

Nashua, N. H., Dec. 14.—The tempera-
ture in Nashua early this morning was 18
degrees below zero. Colder weather is re-
ported from northern points in the State.

Concord, N. H., Dec. 14.—The lowest
official temperature here this morning was 18
degrees below zero. In Manchester it
was 22 degrees below. Andover reports 17
below; Salisbury 22 below; and Hanover 24
below zero.

Saratoga, N. Y., Dec. 14.—The ther-
mometer registered 22 degrees below zero
last night. His sister, the widow of Com-
modore Truxton, his brother-in-law, Thomas
Pinckney, and his niece, Mrs. J. P. Higgin-
son, wife of a Wall street business man,
accompanied the body.

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WELL-BRED GIRL A SHOPLIFTER.

Young Woman Under Arrest
Is Said to Be Daughter
of Army Officer.

MUCH SYMPATHY FOR HER.

Entered on the Police Blotter as
"Catherine Morgan, of Wash-
ington, D. C."

SOME RECENT SHOPLIFTING
ARRESTS.

November 14—Wife of a Brooklyn prop-
erty owner.
December 8—Minister's wife.
December 9—Another minister's wife.
December 9—Rich business man's wife.
December 11—Fashionable Harlem matron.
December 12—Army officer's daughter.

There is still some morbidly obscure
about the identity of "Catherine Morgan,
Washington, D. C." Captain Price said
last night that he believed her father to be
a retired army officer at Los Angeles, Cal.
She herself told many conflicting stories.

"Catherine Shea" was the name she gave
when arrested on Tuesday in a depart-
ment store, after having succumbed to the
temptations of the pretty things displayed
on the counters in all directions. She was
young and comely. Her accent was that of
a woman of education. Her desire to con-
ceal her identity was painfully obvious.

"I am out of work," she said. "I had no
money to buy Christmas presents for my
relatives."

When she reached the West Thirtieth
street police station she described herself
as Catherine Morgan and said her home
was in Washington. A friend for whom
she sent seemed greatly disturbed at her
predicament and said that her father was
an official at Washington high in the War
Department.

After spending the night in a cell she
was arraigned yesterday morning in the
Jefferson Market Police Court. Lawyer
Thomas Moran appeared for her. In her
affidavit she said she was a bookkeeper,
and refused to give her address. She
waived examination, and was held for trial
in \$300 bail.

A prosperous looking young man, calling
himself George E. Wilson, said he would
try to obtain bail for her, but up to the
time the court closed he had not done so.

One of the proprietors of the store in
which this mysterious young woman was
arrested expressed sympathy for her on ac-
count of her evident refinement.

"I should not have pressed the case," he
said, "if she had not told us so many dif-
ferent stories. First she said the goods
were taken by another woman, and then
she said she took them herself."

The above list of recent shoplifting ar-
rests takes no account of women in com-
paratively poor circumstances. As many
as two and three of such women are
sometimes arrested in one day. But the
police and department store people say
that this Christmas season has made an
unprecedented record for the number of
women of wealth and refinement who have
been taken into custody for pilfering small
articles from the counters of the large
stores.

JUDGE HELD A PISTOL.

Attorney Faced Him, Also Holding a
Weapon—This Happened in a
St. Louis Court Room.

St. Louis, Dec. 14.—The remarkable spec-
tacle was seen in the First District Police
Court yesterday of Judge Thomas H. Pea-
body sitting on the bench, revolver in hand,
while Attorney J. D. Storrs faced the
Judge with drawn weapon.

The attorney was defending four women
and the Judge declined to continue their
case for more than one day. This angered
Storrs, who drew his revolver. The Judge
drew his weapon and called for officers to
throw the attorney out. The officers re-
sponded, but the attorney refused to leave.
The furniture was demolished, the lawyer was
placed behind the bars.

Last night, while Judge Peabody was
about to enter the case, two men ap-
peared to enter his home, two men ap-
posed to be friends of Attorney Storrs,
sprang upon him. The Judge was over-
powered, but his friends, a private
watchman, who ran to his rescue, and the
assaults disappeared.

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